# COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA ITEM TRANSMITTAL

(1) DEPARTMENT Public Health	(2) MEETING DATE 7/8/2014	(3) CONTACT/PHONE Penny Borenstein / 781-5519		
(4) SUBJECT Request to approve the FY 2014-17 renewal agreements (Clerk's File) with Twin Cities Community Hospital, Inc., Sierra Vista Regional Medical Center and French Hospital Medical Center to continue to serve as base station hospitals. Districts 1, 2, 3 and 5.				
(5) RECOMMENDED ACTION It is recommended that the Board approve and direct the Chairperson to sign the FY 2014-17 three year renewal agreements with Twin Cities Community Hospital, Inc., Sierra Vista Regional Medical Center and French Hospital Medical Center to continue to serve as base station hospitals.				
(6) FUNDING SOURCE(S) N/A	(7) CURRENT YEAR FINANCIAL IMPACT \$0.00	(8) ANNUAL FINANCIAL IMPACT \$0.00		(9) BUDGETED? N/A
(10) AGENDA PLACEMENT  { X } Consent { } Presentation { } Hearing (Time Est) { } Board Business (Time Est)				
(11) EXECUTED DOCUMENTS { } Resolutions { X } Contracts { } Ordinances { } N/A				
(12) OUTLINE AGREEMENT REQUISITION NUMBER (OAR)			(13) BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUIRED?	
N/A			BAR ID Number: N/A { } 4/5 Vote Required { X } N/A	
(14) LOCATION MAP	15) BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT?		(16) AGENDA ITEM HISTORY	
N/A			{ } N/A Date: <u>7/21/2009</u>	
(17) ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE REVIEW				
Reviewed by Leslie Brown				
(18) SUPERVISOR DISTRICT(S) All Districts				

# County of San Luis Obispo

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Jeff Hamm, Health Agency Director

Penny Borenstein, MD, MPH, Health Officer

DATE: July 8, 2014

SUBJECT: Request to approve the FY 2014-17 renewal agreements (Clerk's File) with Twin Cities Community

Hospital, Inc., Sierra Vista Regional Medical Center and French Hospital Medical Center to continue to

serve as base station hospitals. Districts 1, 2, 3 and 5.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board approve and direct the Chairperson to sign the FY 2014-17 three year renewal agreements with Twin Cities Community Hospital, Inc., Sierra Vista Regional Medical Center and French Hospital Medical Center to continue to serve as base station hospitals.

#### **DISCUSSION**

California Health and Safety Code Section 1797 et seq. allows the local Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Agency, designated in San Luis Obispo County as the County Public Health Department, to provide medical direction of prehospital emergency medical care personnel through the designation of base hospitals. Hospitals designated as base hospitals provide this service in accordance with local EMS Agency policies and procedures.

Hospitals designated by the County as base hospitals play a vital role in San Luis Obispo County's EMS system. Through radio communication, base hospitals provide immediate medical direction and supervision of paramedic personnel including prehospital treatment, patient triage and transport. Base hospitals also provide EMS personnel continuing education, training, and contribute to the EMS system's quality improvement process.

Since 1996, French Hospital Medical Center, Sierra Vista Regional Medical Center and Twin Cities Community Hospitals have been designated as base hospitals. The existing agreements expire July 21, 2014.

Arroyo Grande Community Hospital only recently was designated a base station hospital with the Board approving that agreement on May 13, 2014.

#### OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT/IMPACT

County Counsel has approved each of the renewal agreements as to form and legal effect. The Emergency Medical Care Committee, an advisory committee to the County Emergency Medical Services Agency (EMSA), and the Board of Supervisors have been notified of this request.

## **FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Neither the County nor the hospitals will receive compensation from these agreements.

#### **RESULTS**

The agreements between the County and the three San Luis Obispo County hospitals designating them as base hospitals will help ensure consistent and appropriate equipment, staffing, and training that meet the EMS Agency's policies and



procedures. In turn, these agreements will support the overall County vision of a safe and healthy community.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Clerk's File Statement for renewal agreements with Twin Cities Community Hospital, Sierra Vista Regional Medical Center and French Hospital Medical Center.